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RAJYA SABHA

(300 MW) under execution in Himachal Pradesh, the following Central Sector Hydro-electric Projects in Himachal Pradesh have been identified for capacity addition during 10th Five Year Plan and beyond:—

Sl. No.	Project	Installed Capacity	Implementing Agency
1.	Kol Dam HEP	800 MW	NTPC
2.	Parbati HEP Stage-II	800 MW	NHPC
3.	Parbati HEP Stage-I	750 MW	NHPC
4.	Parbati HEP Stage-III	501 MW	NHPC
5.	Rampur	540 MW	NJPC

Loans Sanctioned for Survey and Investigations in Sutlej, Yamuna and Ravi Basins

4343. SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government and Power Finance Corporation have sanctioned some loans for survey and investigations in Satiuj, Yamuna and Ravi Basins for preparation of detailed project reports including pre-construction activities alongwith development of infrastructure for Parbati-II HE Project (800 MW);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether survey and investigations have since been completed;

(d) if so, the details thereof with tentative date of commencement of work and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether any target to complete the project has been prescribed; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (f) The Government

had in February, 2000, approved an expenditure of Rs. 77.62 crore by the National Hydro-Electric Power Corporation (NHPC) relating to Parbati Hydro-Electric Project Stage-II (800 MW) for the following activities:—

- (i) Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) and Bidding documents.
- (ii) Undertaking infrastructure development.
- (iii) Reimbursement of expenditure incurred by Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board on the Parbati Basin Projects.

An expenditure of Rs. 74.09 crores has been incurred on the Project upto 31.3.2001. Budgetary provision of Rs. 180 crore has been kept for the year 2001-2002. After undertaking additional Investigations in respect of Parbati Hydro-electric Project Stage-II, the revised DPR was submitted to the Central Electricity Authority for approval. Central Electricity Authority has accorded Techno-economic Clearance subject to certain conditions.

Investment decision of the Government for construction of the Parbati Hydro-electric Project Stage-II can be processed only after obtaining environment clearance for this project from the Ministry of Environment and Forests for which NHPC has submitted its proposal with the requisite Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) studies and Environment Management Plan (EMP) to the Ministry of Environment and Forests. Infrastructure work for the project is under execution.

The Project is scheduled to be completed in eight years from the date of commencement of work.

Outstanding Electricity Bills of APEB against union Government

4344, SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the amounts of electricity bills of Andhra Pradesh Board outstanding against Union Government and its Undertaking etc., and